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In re the Application of: **NOMURA, Fumio, et al.**

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Examiner: **ROOKE, Agnes Beata**

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**FOR: MARKER PROTEINS FOR DIAGNOSING LIVER DISEASE AND METHOD OF  
DIAGNOSING LIVER DISEASE USING THE SAME**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 2, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **February 8, 2008**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.